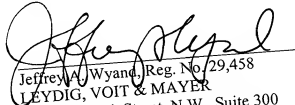


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Official Action mailed June 17, 2005, Applicants amend their application and request reconsideration. In this Amendment claims 11, 12, and 15-20 are canceled, leaving 1-10, 13, and 14 pending.

Examined claim 12 was stated to be allowable. In this Amendment, claim 12 is written in independent form as amended claim 1. Therefore, that claim is allowable. Claims 2-10, 13, and 14 depend from amended claim 1 and are therefore allowable. Minor amendments improving the form of the claims are made in the claims presented here. However, there is no substantive amendment. Therefore, this Amendment places the application in form for allowance which is appropriate and earnestly solicited.

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